



AXS-05 Alzheimer's Disease Agitation Phase 3 Clinical Program

ACCORD-2, ADVANCE-2, and Long-term safety
Phase 3 trial topline results

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transformative medicines
for the hundreds of millions of
people impacted by central
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Summary of topline results

Robust efficacy demonstrated in third pivotal, placebo-controlled trial

- AXS-05 met the primary endpoint in the ACCORD-2 trial by statistically significantly delaying the time to relapse of Alzheimer's disease (AD) agitation compared to placebo (p=0.001)
 - Met key secondary endpoint compared to placebo (p=0.001; prevention of relapse of AD agitation)
 - Reduced worsening of overall AD severity compared to placebo (p<0.001; CGI-S Alzheimer's disease overall clinical status)
- AXS-05 demonstrated numerically greater improvements on primary and secondary endpoints in the ADVANCE-2 trial

Favorable safety and tolerability profile reinforced by long-term, open-label extension trial

- AXS-05 was well tolerated in controlled and long-term trials
- AXS-05 was not associated with death, increased risk of falls, cognitive decline, or sedation
- Long-term safety trial completed with required number of patients treated for 6 and 12 months

AXS-05 (dextromethorphan-bupropion)

Potentially first-in-class, best-in-class treatment for Alzheimer's disease agitation

In Alzheimer's disease, insoluble A β production and accumulation *triggers secondary steps* leading to synaptic loss and neuronal cell death^{1,2}

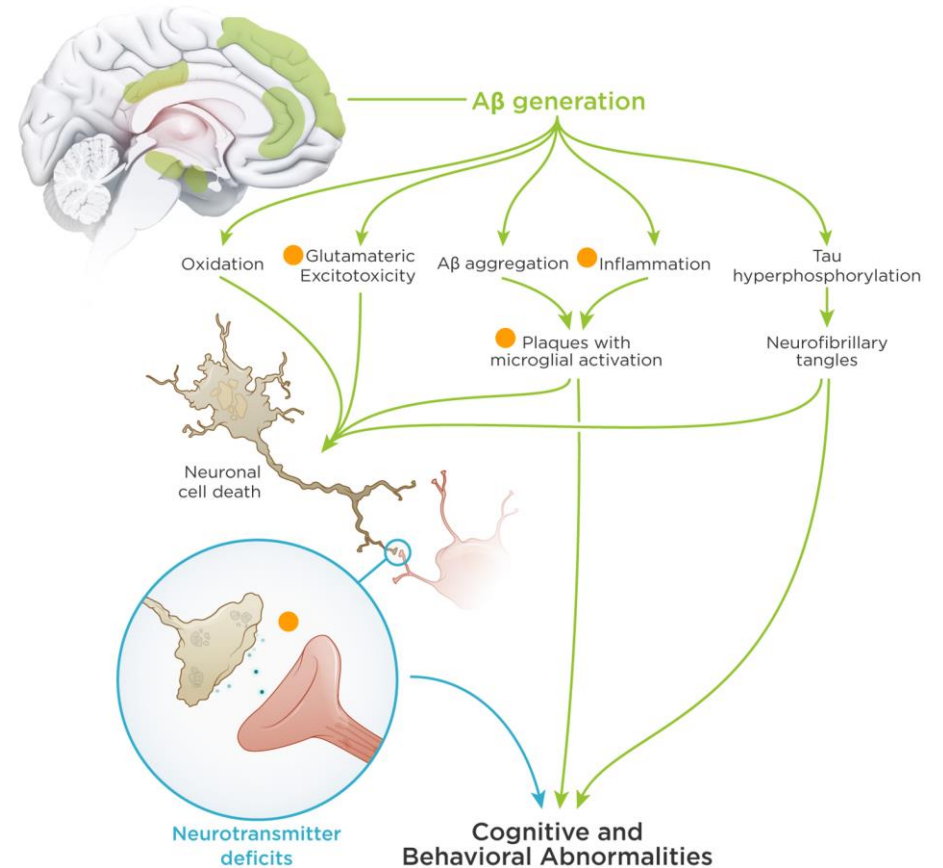


Reductions in certain *neurotransmitters* are thought to contribute to cognitive and behavioral symptoms including agitation and aggression¹⁻⁴



AXS-05 *modulates the function* of neurotransmitters implicated in Alzheimer's disease (glutamate, sigma-1, norepinephrine, and dopamine)¹⁻⁴

Brain regions implicated in AD agitation⁴



● AXS-05 pharmacological actions^{5,6}

ACCORD-2 Phase 3 trial topline results

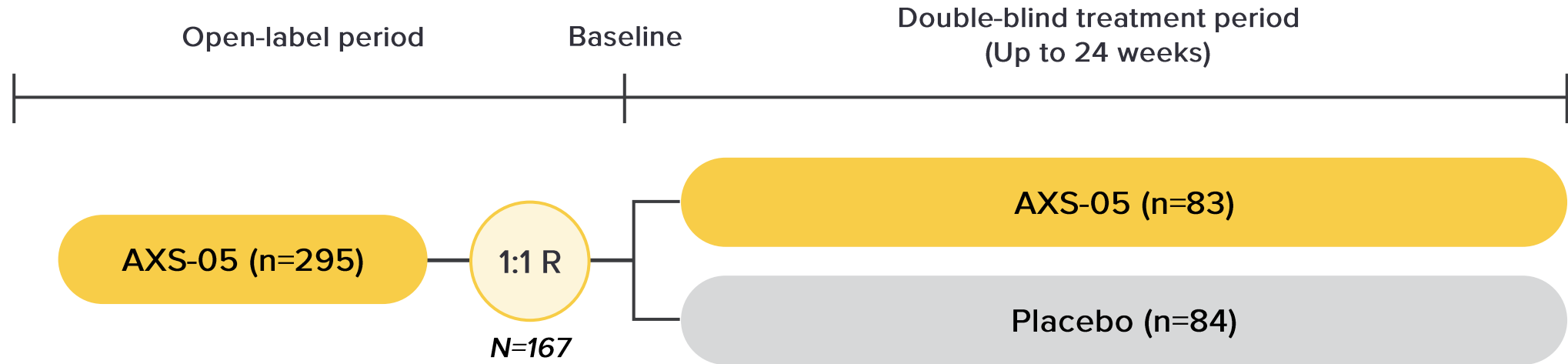
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ACCORD-2 trial design

Phase 3, multi-center, double-blind, placebo-controlled, randomized withdrawal trial



Key eligibility criteria

- 65-90 years of age
- Diagnosis of probable AD (NIA-AA) and clinically significant agitation resulting from probable AD
- MMSE between 10 and 24
- NPI-AA score ≥ 4

Primary endpoint

- Time from randomization to relapse of agitation

Relapse criteria

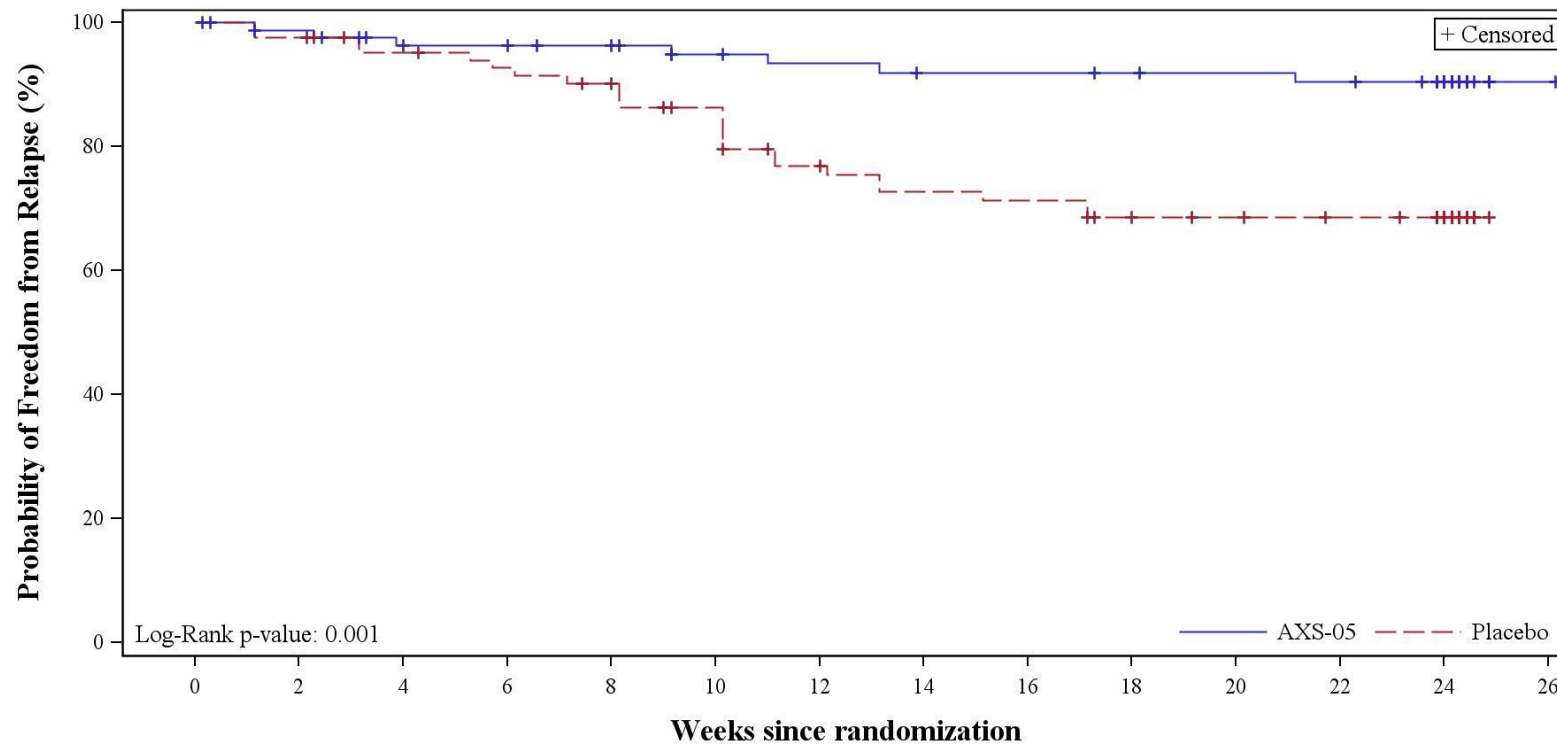
- ≥ 10 -point increase (worsening) from randomization in the CMAI total score
- CMAI total score \geq baseline CMAI total score
- Hospitalization for worsening AD agitation

ACCORD-2 demographics and baseline characteristics

	Open-label period	Double-blind period	
	AXS-05 (n=295)	AXS-05 (n=83)	Placebo (n=84)
Age, years (SD)	74.0 (5.3)	73.3 (4.2)	74.2 (5.6)
Female, n (%)	186 (63.1)	54 (65.1)	51 (60.7)
Race, n (%)			
White	268 (90.8)	77 (92.8)	77 (91.7)
Black	26 (8.8)	5 (6.0)	7 (8.3)
Asian	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Other or not reported	0 (0.0)	1 (1.2)	1 (0.6)
Baseline CMAI total score	73.3	44.3	45.4
Baseline MMSE score	19.3	21.1	21.7

Statistically significant delay in the time to relapse of agitation

Primary endpoint (ACCORD-2): Time from randomization to relapse of AD agitation



Hazard Ratio for Time to Relapse	
Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	0.276 (0.119-0.641)
p-value	0.001

Number at Risk

	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26
AXS-05	83	79	74	73	71	66	64	62	62	61	60	59	54	1
Placebo	84	82	77	74	71	65	56	52	51	47	45	43	39	0

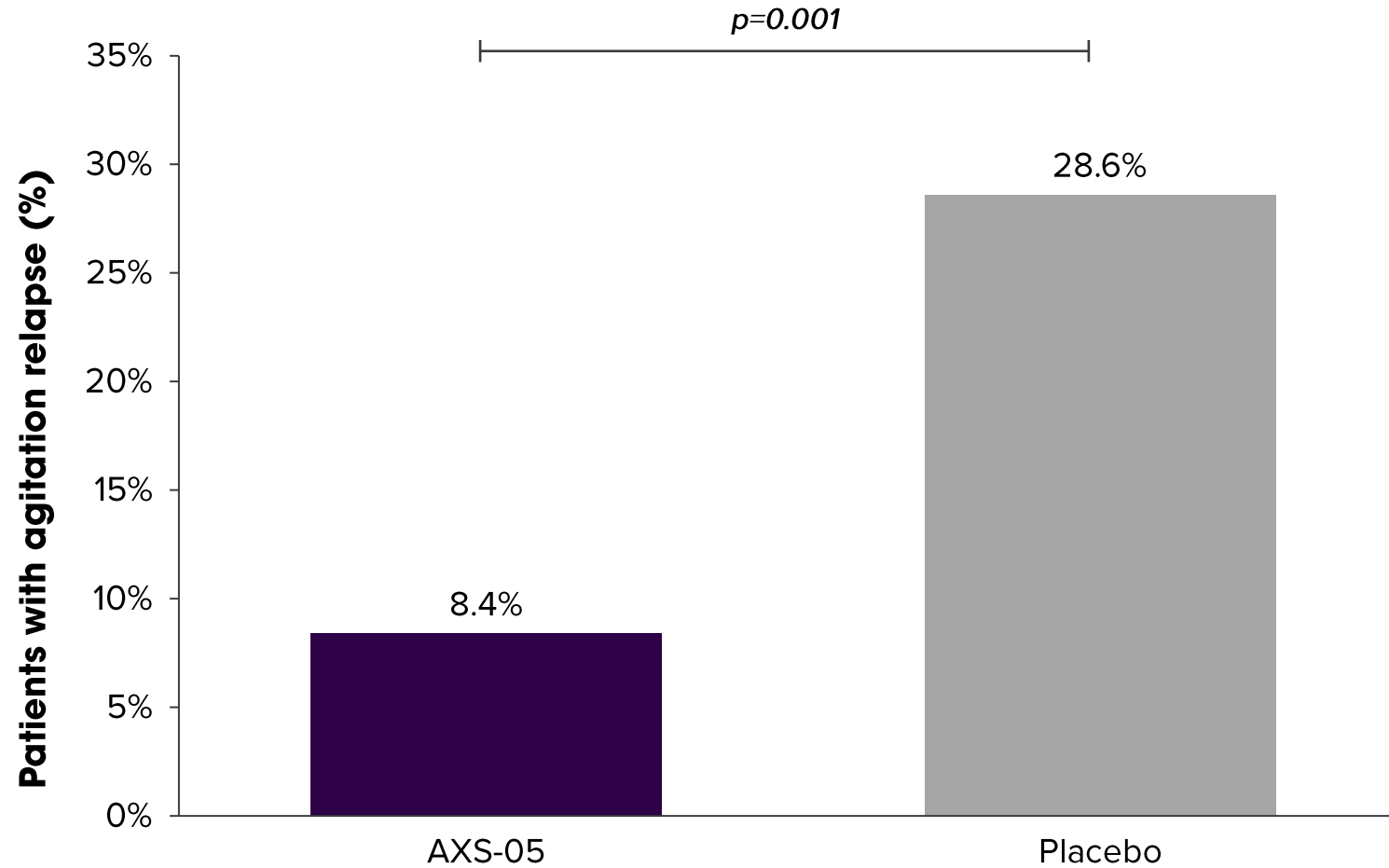


AD = Alzheimer's disease

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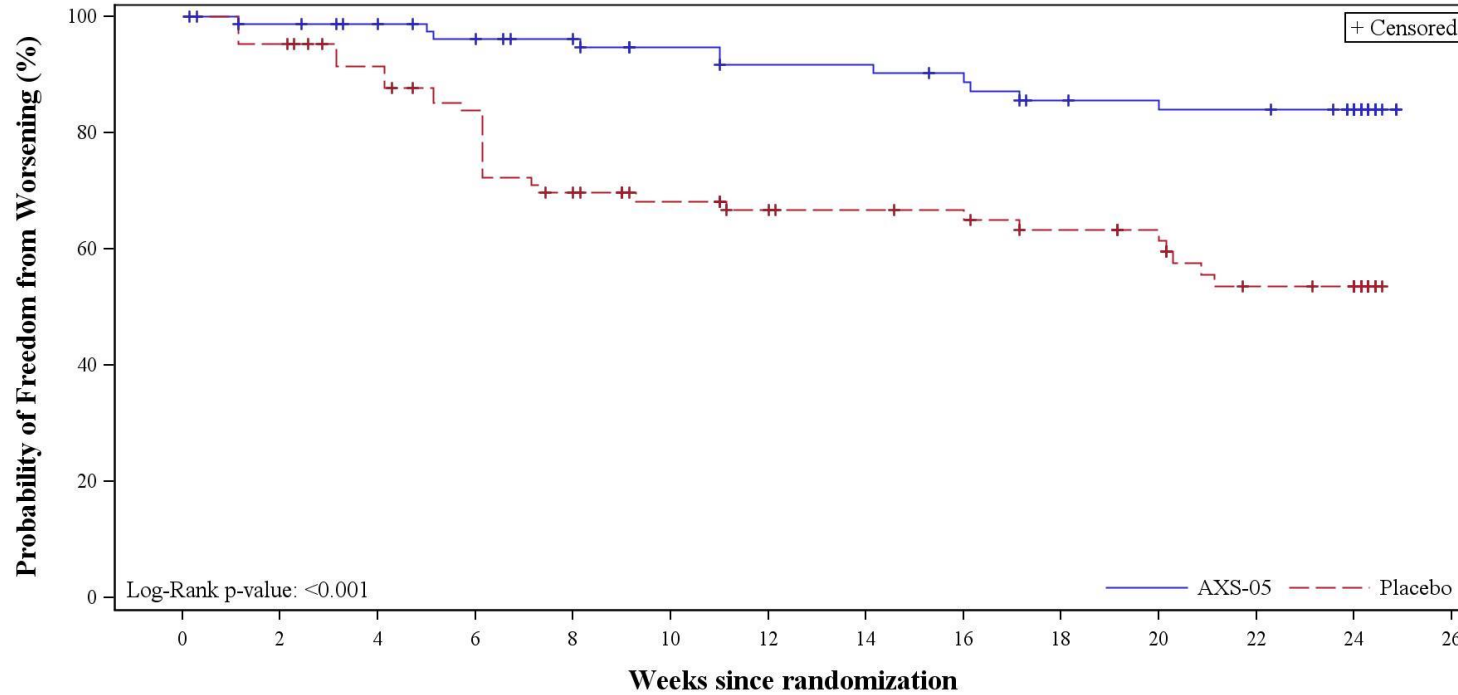
Statistically significant prevention of agitation relapse

Key secondary endpoint (ACCORD-2): Prevention of relapse of Alzheimer's disease agitation



Reduced worsening of overall Alzheimer's disease severity

ACCORD-2



Number at Risk

AXS-05	83	79	76	72	69	64	61	61	59	54	53	52	48	0
Placebo	84	80	73	65	53	47	43	41	40	36	34	26	25	0

Percent of patients with worsening AD severity (CGI-S Alzheimer's disease overall clinical status)

AXS-05	Placebo	p-value
13.3%	39.3%	<0.001

ACCORD-2 summary of adverse events

Number of patients (%)	Double-blind period	
	AXS-05 (n=82)	Placebo (n=84)
Incidence of TEAEs	24 (29.3)	27 (32.1)
Incidence of serious TEAEs	0 (0.0)	2 (2.4)
Discontinuation due to TEAEs	0 (0.0)	1 (1.2)
Most common TEAEs (≥3% in AXS-05 group)		
Anemia	3 (3.7)	1 (1.2)
Headache	3 (3.7)	2 (2.4)
Hyperkalemia	3 (3.7)	1 (1.2)
Somnolence	3 (3.7)	0 (0.0)
Back pain	3 (3.7)	0 (0.0)

- Falls reported in 2 patients (2.4%) in the AXS-05 group; only one deemed related to study medication
- No deaths reported in either treatment group
- AXS-05 was not associated with deaths, sedation, or cognitive decline as measured by the MMSE

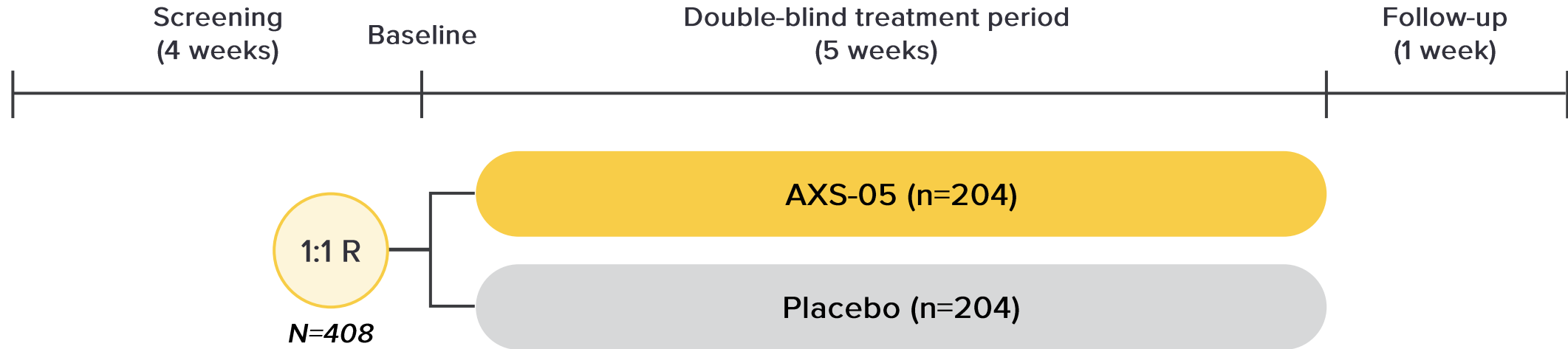
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ADVANCE-2 trial design

Phase 3, multi-center, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial



Key eligibility criteria

- 65-90 years of age
- Diagnosis of probable AD (NIA-AA) and clinically significant agitation resulting from probable AD
- MMSE between 10 and 24
- NPI-AA score ≥ 4

Dose titration

- AXS-05 30 mg/105 mg once daily escalated up to 45 mg/105 mg twice daily

Primary endpoint

- Change from baseline in CMAI total score compared to placebo at Week 5

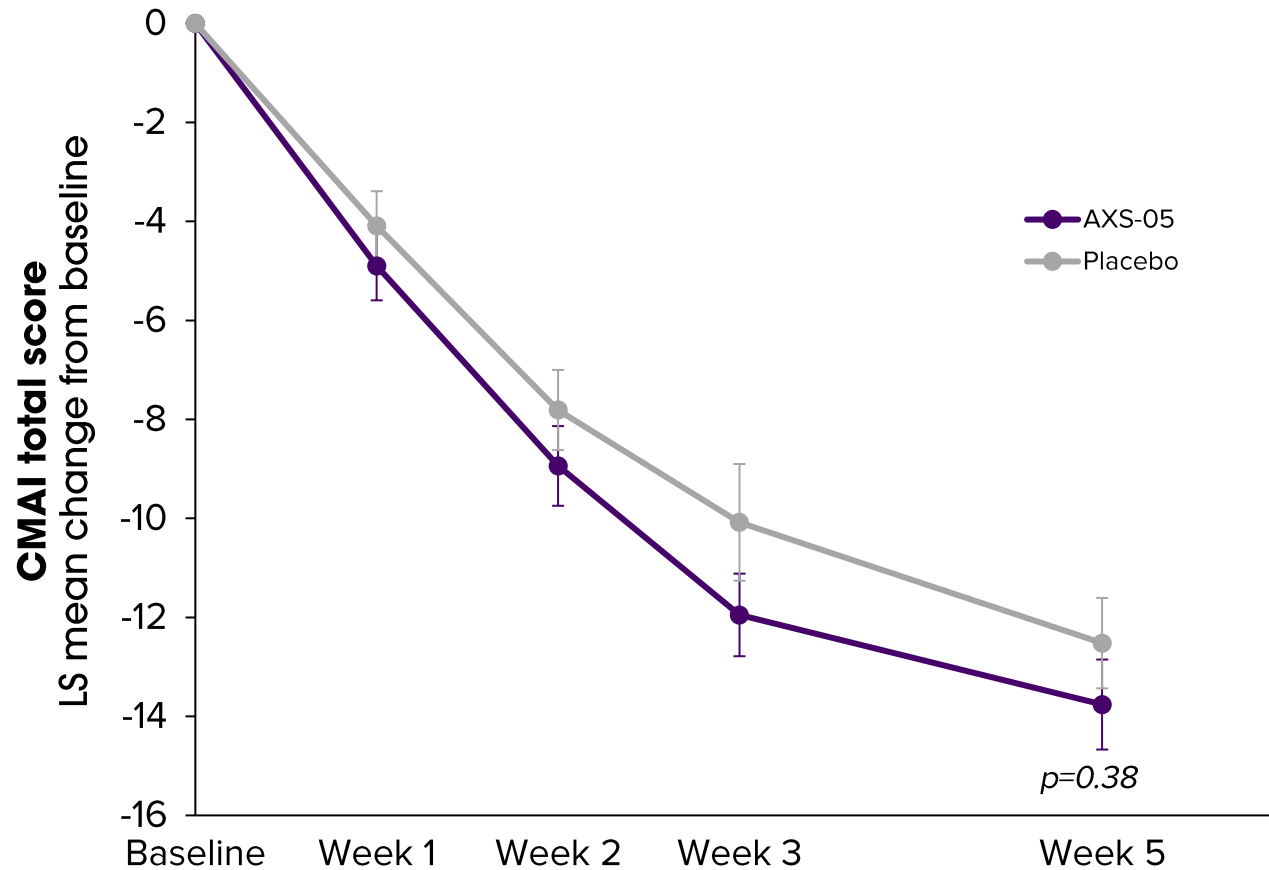
ADVANCE-2 demographics and baseline characteristics

ITT population

	AXS-05 (n=204)	Placebo (n=204)
Age, years (SD)	73.6 (5.3)	75.0 (5.7)
Female, n (%)	130 (63.7)	112 (54.9)
Race, n (%)		
White	184 (90.2)	178 (87.3)
Black	18 (8.8)	23 (11.3)
Asian	2 (1.0)	2 (1.0)
Other or not reported	0 (0.0)	1 (0.5)
Baseline CMAI total score	71.0	73.5
Baseline MMSE score	19.2	19.1

Improvement in symptoms of agitation

Primary endpoint (ADVANCE-2): Change from baseline in CMAI total score at Week 5



Numerically greater improvement in the CMAI total score vs. placebo demonstrated at all timepoints throughout the trial

Secondary endpoints numerically favored AXS-05 over placebo, consistent with the primary endpoint

ADVANCE-2 summary of adverse events

Safety population

Number of patients (%)	AXS-05 (n=204)	Placebo (n=204)
Incidence of TEAEs	53 (26.0)	44 (21.6)
Incidence of serious TEAEs	2 (1.0)	0 (0.0)
Discontinuation due to TEAEs	3 (1.5)	0 (0.0)
Most common TEAEs (≥3% in AXS-05 group)		
Dizziness	12 (5.9)	3 (1.5)
Headache	9 (4.4)	7 (3.4)

- Falls reported in one patient (0.5%) in each treatment arm, which was deemed unrelated to study medication in the AXS-05 group
- No deaths reported in either treatment group
- AXS-05 was not associated with death, sedation, or cognitive decline as measured by the MMSE

Long-term safety trial topline results

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Long-term safety

Phase 3 (N=456)

- Long-term efficacy and safety of AXS-05
- 12-month, open-label extension (OLE) of ACCORD-1 and ADVANCE-2

Long-term safety trial summary of adverse events

Number of patients (%)	AXS-05 (n=456)
Incidence of TEAEs	182 (39.9)
Incidence of serious TEAEs	12 (2.6)
Discontinuation due to TEAEs	2 (0.4)
Most common TEAEs (≥3%)	
Headache	25 (5.5)
Diarrhea	15 (3.3)
Dizziness postural	14 (3.1)
Fall	14 (3.1)
Hyperkalemia	14 (3.1)
Somnolence	14 (3.1)
Urinary tract infection	14 (3.1)

- Falls reported in 3.1% of patients, with only 0.2% deemed related to study medication
- No deaths occurred in the trial
- None of the serious TEAEs were deemed related to study drug
- AXS-05 was not associated with death, sedation, or cognitive decline as measured by the MMSE

Four Phase 3 trials support efficacy and safety of AXS-05 in Alzheimer's disease agitation

ADVANCE-1	ADVANCE-2	ACCORD-1	ACCORD-2
Randomized, double-blind, active & placebo-controlled	Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled	Randomized withdrawal, double-blind, placebo-controlled	Randomized withdrawal, double-blind, placebo-controlled
45 mg/105 mg twice daily	45 mg/105 mg twice daily	45 mg/105 mg twice daily	45 mg/105 mg twice daily
5 weeks	5 weeks	Up to 26 weeks	Up to 24 weeks
<i>N</i> =366	<i>N</i> =408	<i>N</i> =108	<i>N</i> =167
Primary endpoint: Mean reduction from baseline in CMAI total score at Week 5 of 15.4 points for AXS-05 and 11.5 points for placebo ($p=0.010$)	Primary endpoint: Mean reduction from baseline in CMAI total score at Week 5 of 13.8 points for AXS-05 and 12.6 points for placebo ($p=0.380$)	Primary endpoint: Time to relapse: hazard ratio of 0.275 ($p=0.014$)	Primary endpoint: Time to relapse: hazard ratio of 0.276 ($p=0.001$)



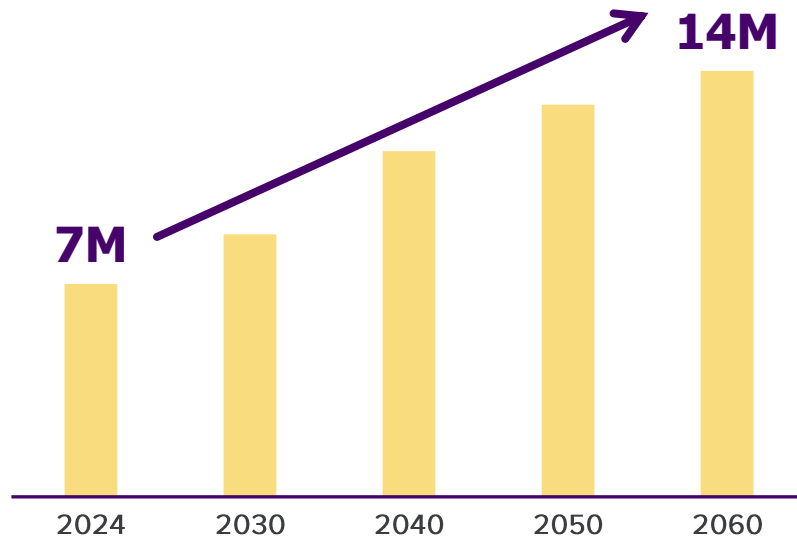
Alzheimer's disease agitation

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Alzheimer's disease (AD) agitation

Number of U.S. adults aged 65+ with Alzheimer's dementia expected to double by 2060¹



Alzheimer's disease (AD) is the most common form of dementia, affecting approximately **7M** people in the U.S.¹



Agitation is reported in **~70%** of people with AD and is characterized by emotional distress, verbal and physical aggressiveness, disruptive irritability, and disinhibition^{1,2}



Psychosocial interventions of AD agitation, while recommended as first line treatment, are not always effective³

The four IPA criteria for agitation in cognitive disorders¹

Cognitive impairment or dementia syndrome

- Patient meets criteria for a cognitive impairment or dementia syndrome, including:
 - Alzheimer's disease
 - Mild cognitive impairment
 - Other dementias

Agitation behavior and duration

- ≥ 1 agitation behavior associated with emotional distress
- Behavior is persistent, frequently recurring for ≥ 2 weeks, or represents a change from the patient's usual behavior

Agitation behavior severity

- Behavior(s) is severe and associated with excess distress or produces excess disability beyond that due to cognitive impairment
- Significantly impairs ≥ 1 of the following:
 - Interpersonal relationships
 - Other aspects of social functioning
 - Ability to perform or participate in daily activities

Cause of agitation behavior

- Agitation is not attributable to:
 - Another psychiatric disorder or medical condition
 - Suboptimal care conditions
 - Physiological effects of a substance

Agitation is a common behavioral symptom that may present in ~70% of patients with Alzheimer's disease^{1,2}

Agitation encompasses three broadly defined symptom domains including both non-aggressive and aggressive behaviors^{3,4}

Excessive motor activity behaviors

- Pacing
- Restlessness
- Rocking
- Performing repetitive mannerisms
- Gesturing
- Pointing fingers

Verbal aggression behaviors

- Yelling
- Using profanity
- Speaking in an excessively loud voice
- Screaming
- Shouting

Physical aggression behaviors

- Grabbing
- Kicking objects or people
- Slamming doors
- Shoving
- Pushing
- Tearing things
- Resisting
- Scratching
- Destroying property
- Hitting others
- Biting
- Throwing objects
- Hitting self

Agitation worsens impact of Alzheimer's disease and adds significant burden on patient and caregiver

Agitation in patients with Alzheimer's disease is associated with¹⁻³:



Accelerated disease progression and cognitive decline



Earlier institutionalization



Increased mortality risk



Greater health care utilization



Increased caregiver burden



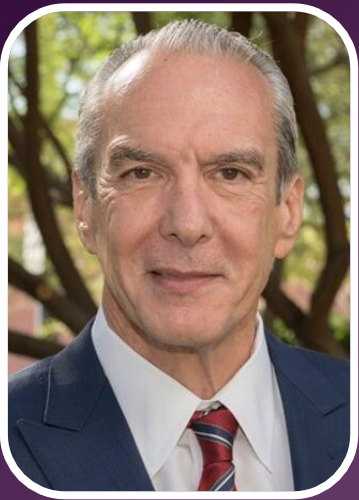
Higher concomitant medication use



Poor quality of life



Clinical perspective



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Unmet need in the treatment of Agitation associated with Alzheimer's disease

- Agitation affects the majority of patients with Alzheimer's disease and is one of the most troubling and consequential aspects of Alzheimer's disease for patients and caregivers.
- Current pharmacologic treatments are primarily off-label medications:
 - Typical and atypical antipsychotics, benzodiazepines, antiepileptics, antidepressants
- Limitations of off-label medications:
 - Sedation, extrapyramidal side effects, falls, worsening of cognition, cardiovascular and cerebrovascular events
 - Modest efficacy
- Only 1 FDA-approved agent, an atypical antipsychotic
- There is an urgent unmet need for new effective pharmacological treatments with favorable safety and tolerability

Challenges for clinical trials of agents for the treatment of neuropsychiatric syndromes



Multiple specific challenges

- Robust placebo-group improvement:
 - True placebo response
 - Caregiver placebo response
 - Trial and clinician response
- Issues with scales and raters
- Disease complexity and natural history of agitation



Benefits of randomized withdrawal trials

- Mitigates against placebo response:
 - All subjects treated with active therapy
 - Responders randomly assigned to active or placebo
- Assesses rate or time to symptom response, maintenance of effect
- Type 1 error control in conjunction with parallel group trial

Perspective on AXS-05 in Alzheimer's disease agitation

Comprehensive Phase 3 clinical program

- Four controlled Phase 3 clinical trials evaluated AXS-05 in Alzheimer's disease agitation
- Two distinct trial paradigms (parallel group and randomized withdrawal) is a strength
- Program evaluated both induction and maintenance effects of therapy

Efficacy of AXS-05 in Alzheimer's disease agitation

- Strong statistically significant and clinically meaningful efficacy demonstrated in ADVANCE-1, ACCORD-1, and ACCORD-2
- Global improvement in Alzheimer's disease severity observed

Safety of AXS-05 in Alzheimer's disease agitation

- Well tolerated across controlled and long-term studies
- ADVANCE-2 provides supportive controlled safety data
- No association with death, increased risk of falls, sedation, or cognitive decline observed



Q&A